

ORDER OF SERVICE

August 24, 2025 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing as we worship you. May the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. May the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. May the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. May the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE "He Is Our Peace"

Shelley Ockwell, *piano*

WELCOME

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 145:3–4, 6, 9–10, 21 NIV

Kaye Ostgard

One: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

All: **One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.**

One: They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds.

All: **The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.**

One: All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you.

All: **My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.**

SONGS OF PRAISE "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" #288, vv. 1–3 and "Cornerstone"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Norm Underland

Our Lord and God: Before you now, we confess that we are often frail and unfaithful people.

Forgive us for taking our eyes off of you when the storms of life crash upon us.

Forgive us for trusting more in our own strength than in your power and goodness.

Forgive us for focusing more on our temporary needs than upon your timeless blessings.

Forgive us for seeking more the treasures of this world than your eternal kingdom.

Remove our selfishness and restore our faith, through our Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we continue to pray. *(silence for personal prayer and confession)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S BLESSING AND DISMISSAL TO SUMMER PROGRAMMING

OFFERING "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

Faith, John, and Shelley Ockwell

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 14:22–36 NRSV

Kaye Ostgard

SERMON "Savior in the Storm"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Norm Underland

SONG OF SENDING "Wonderful Peace"

BENEDICTION

Neil Trainer

POSTLUDE "Bourrée"

Shelley Ockwell, *piano*

Calvin in Transition

In recent weeks, Calvin Church's Session has formed two task forces with a range of elders, deacons, and congregation members to ensure that our vital ministries continue even with our associate pastor role vacated.

// Short-term task force

Our short-term task force is focusing on this transition season, making sure that nothing major from the associate pastor's plate gets dropped. From this has come the formation of a new Congregational Care Team led by Pastor Neil Trainer along with a selection of Stephen Ministers, deacons, and elders gifted for the role. Elsewhere, volunteers are stepping up for things like coordinating homebound communion service and running children's Sunday programming. Thank you to all who are giving so generously!

// Long-term task force

The long-term task force is looking at our overall staffing structure to help the Session discern if our current model fits our future needs and vision. Task force members have been interviewing a wide range of people in the congregation to get their input. Please keep their work in your prayers, and feel free to contact them with any input you have about current or future staffing:

- Jan Allen (janallenorg@gmail.com)
- Catherine Baker (cabarronbaker@live.com)
- Nancy Bowerman (ncbowerman@aol.com)
- Chris Jackson (chrisannejackson59@gmail.com)
- Greg Terman (gwterman@gmail.com)
- Neil Trainer (pastor@calvincpc.org)

// Now hiring interim position

The Session has created a new interim part-time staff position for a Minister of Congregational Care. This person will be responsible for coordinating the caring ministries of the church, and equipping members to care for one another. More information can be found at calvincpc.org/open-positions.

// The future of Messy Church

Continuing Messy Church is a priority. Please pray that God would provide the right people to fill the roles of Coordinator and Creativity Director. We will not be able to fully relaunch Messy Church on a monthly basis until that leadership is found. However, plan to join us on Wednesday, October 8, for a mini Messy Church that will include our regular pizza dinner, crafts, and a time of worship.

July Finance Summary

// New fiscal year begins

We are once again at the beginning of a new fiscal year, with new budget targets and a new spending plan. As you heard last month, the new budget includes funding to support Session's decisions regarding our vacant Associate Pastor position. Staff and our mission partners all have received a cost-of-living increase.

Although we did not meet this month's target for general fund contributions, for the first time in two years we have a positive net revenue balance! That is terrific news for the start of a new fiscal year! We give thanks

to God for his faithfulness, and thanks to you for your generosity.

// The numbers for July 2025

- General Fund Contributions: \$44,860;
- Facilities Revenue: \$14,668;
- Other Revenue: \$6,540;
- Total Operations Revenue: \$66,068;
- Total Expenses: \$63,580 — giving to missions: \$4,893;
- GF Net Revenue: \$2,487; and
- Total Assets: \$915,166.

Thank you again for your continued support of the mission and ministries of Calvin Church! As always, if you have any financial questions or concerns, contact [Kirsty](#) or [Dan Coppin](#).



Happy Birthday!

Jennifer Miller	Aug 25
Sunny Coppin	Aug 27
Kaye Ostgard	Aug 27
Judie Hagen	Aug 28
Noah Park	Aug 28
David Baker	Aug 29
Cecilia Bumcrot	Aug 29
Sue Kropf	Aug 29
Barbara Rood	Aug 29
Greg Terman	Aug 29
Stephen Weschler	Aug 30
Linda Clugston	Sep 05
Jan Allen	Sep 06
Jack Janacek	Sep 06



Upcoming Events

JMS applications due	Aug 31
GriefShare, 10 am	Sep 06
First Fruits & LIFT	Sep 07
Salmon Bake	Sep 07
Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm	Sep 10
Ron Wirtz memorial svc	Sep 13
Rhythms of Grace	Sep 14
Women's Retreat	Sep 26 & 27
Harambee!	Sep 27